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HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA WOMAN SENTENCED FOR CASHING COUNTERFEIT PAYROLL CHECKS

TOPEKA, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced today that **Deborah Ann Moore**, 48, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, was sentenced on Monday, September 8, 2003, by U.S. District Judge Julie A. Robinson to 24 months in federal prison, without parole, to be followed by three years of supervised release and ordered to pay restitution to the victims of various forged checks.

Melgren stated that Moore entered a guilty plea on April 28, 2003, to one count passing a counterfeit payroll check.

Melgren said that Moore admitted at her plea that she passed a counterfeit payroll check for \$287.85 at Dyer's IGA Grocery Store on March 10, 2002, in Wamego, Kansas; a counterfeit payroll check for \$147.51 on March 18, 2002, at Chapman Grocery Store in Chapman, Kansas; and a counterfeit payroll check for \$187.51 on March 19, 2002, at Zey's Market in Abilene, Kansas.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the Abilene Police Department and the U.S. Secret Service in this investigation.